

MINUTES

EAST FORK OF VIRGIN RIVER WATER DISTRIBUTION MEETING

FEBRUARY 22, 1996

Meeting was held in the Conference Room at State Bank of Southern Utah in Orderville, Utah

Meeting was called to order by President Sharon Lamb at 10:05 AM.

John Reese read minutes of 1995 meeting.

Motion to approve minutes was made by Cleve Esplin, Seconded by Fern Morrison.

Motion passed.

1995 Financial report was read by Commissioner Gerry Hoyt.

1995 Budget was \$2,000.00

Spent \$1,425.40

\$574.60 of budget was not used

L Dean Anderson made motion to approve report.

Cleve Esplin Seconded

Motion passed

Gerry Hoyt Read 1995 Commissioners Report

95 was an exceptional year

Glendale weir cement breaking

There has been a problem with people changing gates.

Gerry suggests that Companies approve someone in company to call with water questions.

Budget needs to be increased for annual report.

Cleve Esplin ask if report has been sent to State Water Engineers Office reporting how much water was used. Gerry stated it is in his report he will send back today.

Mr. Sims made comment that water use report may be included in report handed out at meeting. Gerry said he has been giving the usage report to company presidents who requested it. He could include it in the report handed out but their would be additional coping costs.

Earl Sorensen commented that Orderville can only use 80% of water. Gerry commented that he can only measure what is diverted. Often some water flows back into creek but there's no way to measure it.

Sharon Lamb said that he would like a copy of water use records.

Norman Carroll ask that Kane County Water Conservancy District get a copy of water use record.

Motion to except Commissioners Report was made by Norman Carroll
Seconded by L. Dean Anderson
Motion Passed.

1996 Budget

L. Dean Anderson ask Gerry about Commissioners Salary

Gerry said salary is OK

Needs increase on preparing annual report. He thinks \$100. would be OK.

L. Dean Anderson made motion to increase Annual Report budget to \$100.00, and keep other items the same.

Norman Carroll ask about Miscellaneous Items.

Gerry commented there's no convention in 1996.

L. Dean's motion was changed to move money from Miscellaneous to Annual Report.

Cleve Esplin Seconded

Total Budget for 1996 to remain the same as 1995's

Appoint Commissioner:

L. Dean Anderson made motion to retain Gerry Hoyt

Norman Carroll Seconded

Motion Passed - to recommend Gerry Hoyt to State Engineers Office.

There was more discussion on Annual Report. It was decided that a complete copy including water usage record be given as follows:

One to each Company, and one to Kane County Water Conservancy District. There's no need to give a copy to everyone attending the meeting.

Board of Directors for 1996

Sharon Lamb made comment that in past years there has been one from each company and one from the ranches

Cleve Esplin made comment that he thinks someone should represent Muddy Creek Irrigation Company. Comment was made that Gerry does not regulate Muddy Creek water.

Cleve Esplin would like usage records kept. For this to be done a measuring device needs to be installed.

Gerry said that he could show them how to read and keep record of it.

Mr. Sims said that if usage report is included in Gerry's report he needs to make some readings to verify accuracy of report.

Cleve said to leave it as is now. He will talk to others on system about the future.

Sharon Lamb made comment that if there's a perceived problem on amount of water, people should contact Gerry instead of changing gates themselves.

Warren Foot made motion to keep Board of Directors the same as they are.

Dennis MacDonald seconded

Motion passed.

Sharon Lamb read a letter from State Engineer, about Diversion of water and Commissioners responsibilities.

There was discussion on system diversion - about Heaton Ranch, problems seem to have been worked out.

Gerry talked about property being sold with water. Sometimes people get stock watering rights and want to change it to Irrigation. Whether this can be done depends on the situation.

Dennis MacDonald made motion to adjourn

Cleve Esplin seconded

Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM

John D. Rose, Secretary